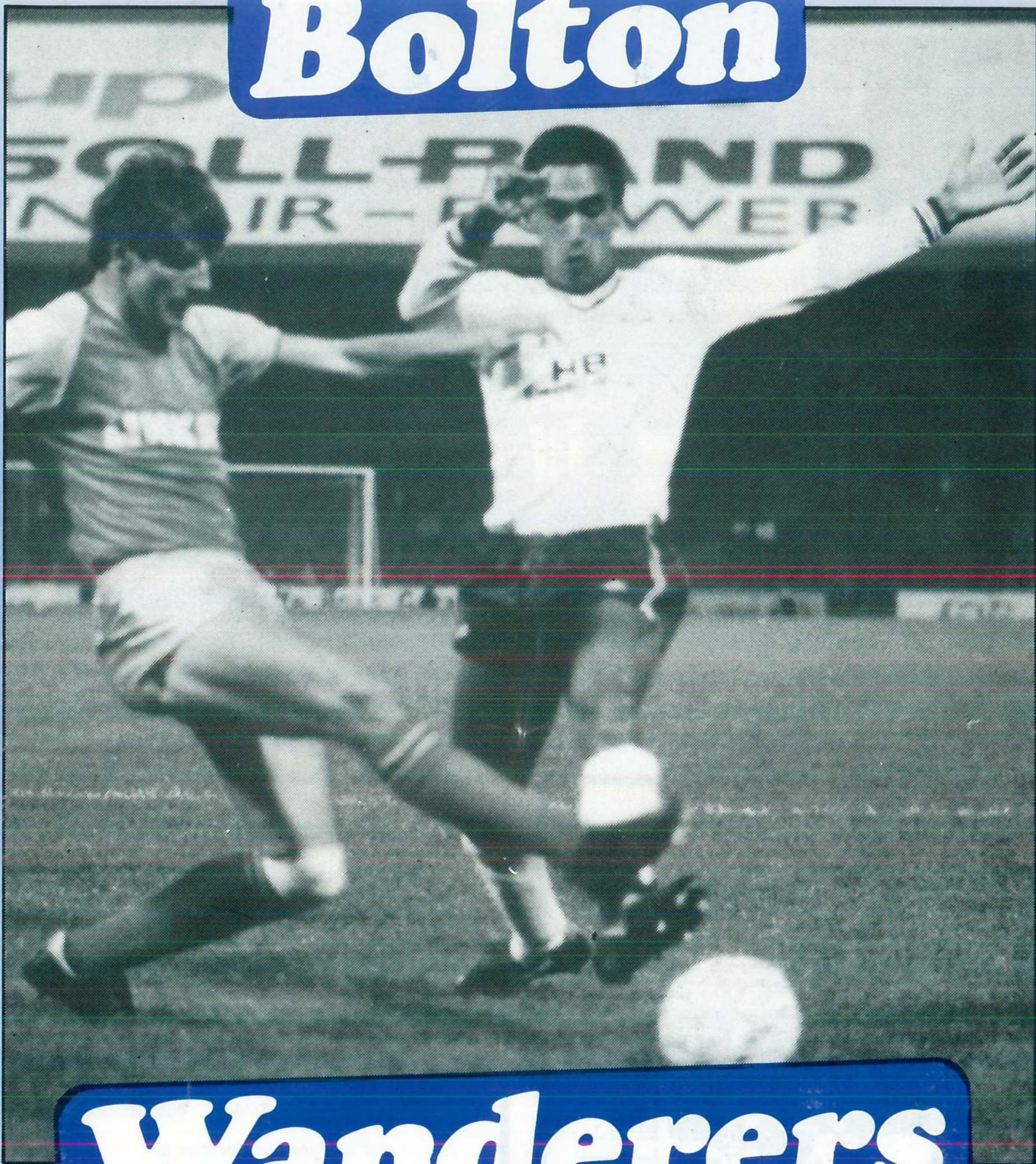


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John McGovern



May I extend this afternoon a warm Bolton welcome to our opponents Bournemouth, who with their Cup exploits last season — particularly their victory over Manchester United — helped towards winning their manager Harry Redknapp a contract.

Last season's encounter here at Burnden Park, my last league game for the club, ended in a 1-0 defeat — a result which suggests today's encounter will be far from easy.

Although in the League our performances have been anything but consistent I was delighted for all our supporters that we managed to dispose of Shrewsbury in the Milk Cup on Tuesday with such an all-round sound display.

Although some people were surprised by Gerry McElhinney's ability when he was pushed forward into the attack — even though restricted by his injury — they weren't to know that in some training sessions recently we have played defenders in attack and strikers in defence.

It breaks the monotony and also gives players an appreciation of the skills required to play in other positions. I believe it benefits the player and the team and it certainly helped us as we tackled the two injury problems we had on Tuesday night.

There are some players, of course, who adapt very easily to changes of position and thankfully Jimmy Phillips, who in our estimation can play on the left hand side of midfield as well as at left back, showed superb temperament in switching to a central defensive job when Gerry McElhinney was injured.

He was a major influence in helping us through to the third round of the competition.

This is my third season as manager of Bolton Wanderers but I must say that the atmosphere here on Tuesday night was the best I have experienced. I am delighted for our supporters that they can now enjoy the prestige of being followers of a Third Division club that has knocked out two Second Division outfits in a Cup competition.

The word "Cup" itself creates excitement and when you win the thrill is even greater.

FRONT COVER: George Oghani in action against Shrewsbury in the Milk Cup last Tuesday.



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Welcome to the Park

AFC BOURNEMOUTH INJURIES HIT BOURNEMOUTH'S CHANCES

By Tony Pullein

Bournemouth's chances of joining the promotion race were hit hard after only a couple of weeks of the new season when they lost centre-back Phil Brignull through injury. A few weeks later Roger Brown, their other central defender, was laid low and the Cherries have been struggling to get their game together.

Robbie Savage, normally a midfield player, and young Chris Shaw have been filling the problem positions in recent weeks.

So far Bournemouth have scored only once away from home this season — and that was scored by defender Roger Brown in a 1-1 draw at Newport. They also drew at Plymouth (0-0) but were beaten at Hull City (0-3) and Bristol Rovers (0-1) in the League and Aldershot (0-4) in the Milk Cup. That took away any hope of winning the tie and Bournemouth were beaten again 0-1 in the return game at Dean Court.

Though manager Harry Redknapp invested £15,000 in the purchase of striker Colin Russell shortly before the start of the season, the two front men have usually been Bill Rafferty and Ian Thompson.

Rafferty hit a match-winning hat-trick against Rotherham at Dean Court last month but Thompson, who scored 15 times last season, has netted only once this term.

Another striker, who has often been nominated as substitute at Dean Court, is Milton Graham, a local discovery who scored one of the goals which knocked Manchester United out of the F.A. Cup last season.

The Cherries tend to use a 4-4-3 formation with Mark Schiavi operating on the right wing.

Republic of Ireland international Sean O'Driscoll and John Beck are their attacking midfield players with Paul Morrell operating just in front of the back four.

Mark Nightingale and Chris Sulley are the full-backs with Ian Leigh holding the goalkeeping position.

Bournemouth, who finished in fine form last season with four wins and a draw and also won the Associate Members' Cup, were optimistic of launching a promotion campaign this season.

They could still do that, of course, but the Cherries will need to show a big improvement in attack. At full strength, they are exceptionally sound in defence and they have a nicely balanced midfield. With a sharp-shooter up front they could make a big surge up the table.

The club has spent its entire League career in the Third and Fourth Divisions since gaining election to the Third Division (South) back in 1923. After the re-

formation of the lower divisions in 1958, they remained in the Third Division until suffering their first relegation in 1970.

Indeed, the Cherries hold the record for the longest continuous spell in Division Three.

They won promotion at the first attempt but in 1975 they dropped down into the Fourth Division and remained until returning to this level in 1982.

Bournemouth had never won any sort of trophy until last season when they battled their way through the rounds of the Associate Members' Cup, a competition restricted to Third and Fourth Division clubs.

They pulled off a fine performance to win 2-1 away to Hull City in the final.

It was their form during that end-of-season run in the Cup, and their closing performances in the League, that raised those promotion hopes.

AFC lo ked good when beating Derby 1-0 at Dean Court on the opening day of the season. They then defeated Rotherham 3-0 before losing successive home games to Doncaster (1-3) and Swansea (1-2).

Swansea's victory at Dean Court ended a run of 46 away League games without a win!

Last Saturday the Cherries were held to 1-1 at home by Burnley and that means they come to Burnden Park hoping to end a run of six matches without a win.

JOHN SMEULDERS (Goalkeeper). Signed from Alliance League club Weymouth. Brave and a good organiser John has found it difficult to break into the team.

IAN LEIGH (Goalkeeper). Ian developed in the junior sides at Dean Court and got his first chance in the League eleven against Peterborough in October 1981. He quickly established himself as the first choice 'keeper and now looks back on more than 100 League appearances.

MARK NIGHTINGALE (Defender). Mark won England youth honours during his first spell with Bournemouth. He was transferred to Crystal Palace in 1976 but didn't get into their League eleven so, a year later, he moved on to Norwich. Mark re-joined Bournemouth during the 1982 close-season.

ROGER BROWN (Defender). Roger is also in his second spell with the club. He originally joined them from AP Leamington in 1977 but moved on to Norwich for £85,000 two years later. Fulham paid £100,000 for him in 1980 and he remained in their senior team until returning to Dean Court last season.

PHIL BRIGNULL (Defender). Phil is a former England schoolboy international who developed with West Ham. He got only one outing in their League team but he has been a Bournemouth regular since his transfer in 1981 — until a recent injury put him on the sidelines.

ROBBIE SAVAGE (Defender/Midfield). Though normally a midfield player, Robbie has moved back into defence to fill a gap caused by injuries. He was signed from Stoke City last season. He started his career with Liverpool but didn't come into contention for a first-team place at Anfield. He made his League debut in 1982 after joining Wrexham and he moved on to Stoke in 1983.

CHRIS SHAW (Defender). Chris developed in the Cherries' youth team and got his first senior outing two seasons ago. He was recalled at centre-back last month when Brown was injured.

CHRIS SULLEY (Defender). Chris didn't come into first-team reckoning with Chelsea but got his League chance after signing for Bournemouth in March 1981. He has been ever-present for the past three seasons.

JOHN BECK (Midfield). John initially joined AFC on loan from Fulham two seasons ago. His League career began with Q.P.R. in 1973 and he was transferred to Coventry for £40,000 in 1976. Two years later he joined Fulham in an £80,000 deal.

SEAN O'DRISCOLL (Midfield). Sean joined Bournemouth from Fulham last February. Fulham signed him from Alvechurch in 1979 and he played more than 150 first-team games for the Cottagers. Sean has been capped by the Republic of Ireland on three occasions.

PAUL MORRELL (Midfield). Paul is a defensive midfield player who was signed from Weymouth in

1983. He kicked-off his League career last season as a full-back but then switched to midfield.

MARK SCHIAVI (Forward). Mark normally plays on the right-wing for AFC. He developed with West Ham but didn't get into their League eleven. Mark originally joined Bournemouth on loan last season.

IAN THOMPSON (Forward). Ian was joint-top scorer with 15 goals last season. Ian had been expecting to join Manchester City but then John Benson, who had lined up the deal, was sacked. Ian, who earned a reputation as a goalscorer in the Southern League with Salisbury, joined AFC during the summer of 1983.

BILL RAFFERTY (Forward). Bill was signed from Portsmouth last February. He spent his early days with Coventry but it was after joining Blackpool in 1972 that he enjoyed regular League football. Plymouth signed him for £25,000 in 1974 and he was top scorer for them in 1974/75. After transferring to Carlisle for £20,000 in 1976 he topped their scoring list for two seasons until joining Wolves for £125,000. Newcastle invested £175,000 in his transfer in 1980 and he linked with Portsmouth for £85,000 a year later. Bill scored 19 in each of his last two seasons for Pompey.

MILTON GRAHAM (Forward). Milton developed in the junior teams and came through for his League baptism three seasons ago. He scored one of the goals that knocked Manchester United out of the F.A. Cup last season.

COLIN RUSSELL (Forward). Colin was signed from Huddersfield this summer. He started his career with Liverpool but got only one run in their First Division side. After moving on to Huddersfield in 1982, he scored 17 goals in his first season. He ended last season on loan to Stoke City.



Back Row: John Kirk (Trainer/Physio), Phil Brignull, Milton Graham, John Smeulders, John Beck, Mark Nightingale, Billy Rafferty, Ian Leigh, Roger Brown, Paul Morrell, Stuart Morgan (Assistant Manager).

Front Row: Keith Williams, Colin Russell, Robbie Savage, Morgan Lewis, Sean O'Driscoll, Harry Redknapp (Manager), Chris Shaw, Everaldo La Ronde, Mark Schiavi, Chris Sulley, Ian Thompson.

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Club News

SIMON MARLAND

In Retrospect

We welcome Bournemouth to Burnden Park today for what will be the 7th Football League game between the Clubs, and the records showing that things are equal in previous encounters with two victories each.

All of the previous games have taken place in the Third Division with the first one taking place in August 1971 here at Burnden when in the Wanderers first ever home game in that division a scoreless draw resulted.

The sides for that game were:-

Bolton: Wright, Ritson, Mobray, Nicholson, Hulme, Rimmer, Redfern, Byrom, Greaves, Hunt and Garry Jones.

Bournemouth: Davies, Benson, Stocks, D. Jones, Kitchener, Powell, Cave, MacDougall, Boyer, Davidson and Miller.

Sub. Sainty for Davidson. The crowd was 8,962.

In contrast the game at Dean Court the following March was full of incident.

Roger Hunt gave the Wanderers the lead in the 17th minute with a twenty yard drive only days after announcing that he would be quitting the game at the end of the season.

Bournemouth pressed for an equaliser and with two minutes remaining thought they had done so as Don McAllister hooked the ball off the line. The Wanderers swept down to the other end of the field with the Bournemouth players still arguing over the incident and Roger Hunt grabbed his second goal of the afternoon.

With almost the last touch Ted MacDougall headed home a right wing cross to make the score 2-1 to the Wanderers and to notch up his 40th goal of the season. The referee needed an escort from the pitch at the end of the game with everyone except the Wanderers claiming the ball had crossed the line.

The first League game of 1972/73 saw the Cherries visit Burnden as one of the promotion favourites. It took Bolton only 5 minutes to open the scoring when from a Ron Phillips corner the ball struck Bournemouth full back Mel Machin on the head and ended up in the net.

John Byrom put Bolton two up on the half hour and he again struck in the 75th minute to put the game beyond doubt.

Bournemouth gained their first win over Bolton the following February at Dean Court when in a game that was a typical tight promotion clash, second half goals from Phil Boyer and Mickey Cave knocked the Wanderers off the top of the League.

Our paths didn't cross again until last season when the Wanderers came from behind to draw 2-2 on the south coast. It took Bournemouth only two minutes to take the lead when Trevor Morgan fired home and it was Morgan again that increased their lead in the 40th minute this time with a header.

The second half was a different story and it was the Wanderers turn to find the net after only two minutes play when Jeff Chandler grabbed his fourth goal in eight days. In the 59th minute Steve Thompson drove home to register his first Football League goal. The result gave the Wanderers a record of having lost only once in twelve games but by the following April for the return game things weren't quite as rosy.

A crowd of 3,045, the lowest for a League match at Burnden saw Bournemouth win 1-0 to leave Bolton with just one win in eight games. The winner came in the 81st minute when Billy Rafferty headed home a John Beck corner.

Our only cup encounter came in 1926 when the Wanderers went south to face the then named Bournemouth United. A crowd of

12,000 saw J. R. Smith give Bolton a first half lead but Bournemouth stormed in front through Stringfellow and Roberts whilst the Wanderers were down to 10 men. David Jack saved the day for Bolton when he equalised five minutes from time and in the replay at Burnden they made no mistake with a 6-2 victory.

Our League record against Bournemouth reads as follows:-

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	2	1	1	1	3	1
Away	2	1	1	1	4	5
Totals	4	2	2	2	7	6

Down Memory Lane

15 years ago 11th October 1969. The Wanderers crashed 4-0 at Middlesbrough. A crowd of 14,420 saw John Hickton and Hugh McIlmoyle grab a couple of goals each to send a revamped Bolton side home pointless.

John Ritson returned at right back with Paul Hallows reverting to the left and Geoff Roberts being dropped. Paul Fletcher and Ian Seddon went out at the expense of John Manning for his first game of the season and Jimmy Redfern for his first full League game.

10 years ago 12th October 1974. Ian Greaves suffered his first defeat as Bolton Manager when Hull City ran out 2-0 winners at Boothferry Park.

John Ritson failed a late fitness test and Peter Reid came into the side for his first full League game.

Hull took the lead in the 14th minute when Ken Wagstaff found the net after a mistake by keeper Barry Sidall. The goal came whilst Paul Jones was off the field, having six stitches inserted in a head wound.

Wagstaff grabbed Hull's second in the 58th minute with an opportunist effort to put the game out of Bolton's reach.

The Wanderers were again lacking in the strike force and the name of Alan Gowling was being linked with the Wanderers although Huddersfield's asking price of around £100,000 was too high.

5 years ago 13th October 1979. The Wanderers entertained Arsenal at Burnden Park but after the previous Tuesday's display against Liverpool the game became something of an anti-climax in a lifeless performance by both sides.

Chances were few and far between although Neil Whatmore found the net in the 69th minute only to have his effort disallowed for offside.

The only change to the side was at centre forward where Frank Worthington replaced Alan Gowling. It was to be Worthington's last appearance in a Bolton shirt.

Statistically Speaking

The 3-1 defeat at Reading equalled the Club's worst League start to the season away from home. Only on one other occasion has five successive losses been sustained and that was back in 1963/64 when in the sixth game Ipswich were defeated 3-1 at Portman Road.

That season a League Cup win at Sheffield United came in the middle of the run and strangely enough this season the Wanderers have avoided defeat in their visits to Oldham and Shrewsbury in the League Cup.

To avoid extending the losing sequence the Wanderers must prevent bogey side Bristol City from taking the points at Ashton Gate on 23rd October. The last seven visits there have all ended in defeat and indeed the Wanderers have only won twice in eighteen League and Cup visits the last being in April 1907 in a First Division match.

Programme Fair

Don't forget the 10th annual Bolton Programme Fair is to be held tomorrow at the Pack Horse Hotel in Bradshawgate, Bolton commencing at 11.00 a.m. until 3.00 p.m. Thousands of programmes both old and new will be available so why not go and have a browse.

Junior Whites News

Today's mascot is Simon Burton of Banktop Grove, Astley Bridge. Simon attends Sharples County Primary School and plays for the school team on the right wing. His favourite player is Tony Caldwell.

Don't forget that Junior Whites get free admission to tomorrow's programme fair in Bolton and that the next meeting will take place in the Executive Suite here at Burnden on Monday 15th October commencing at 6.30 p.m.





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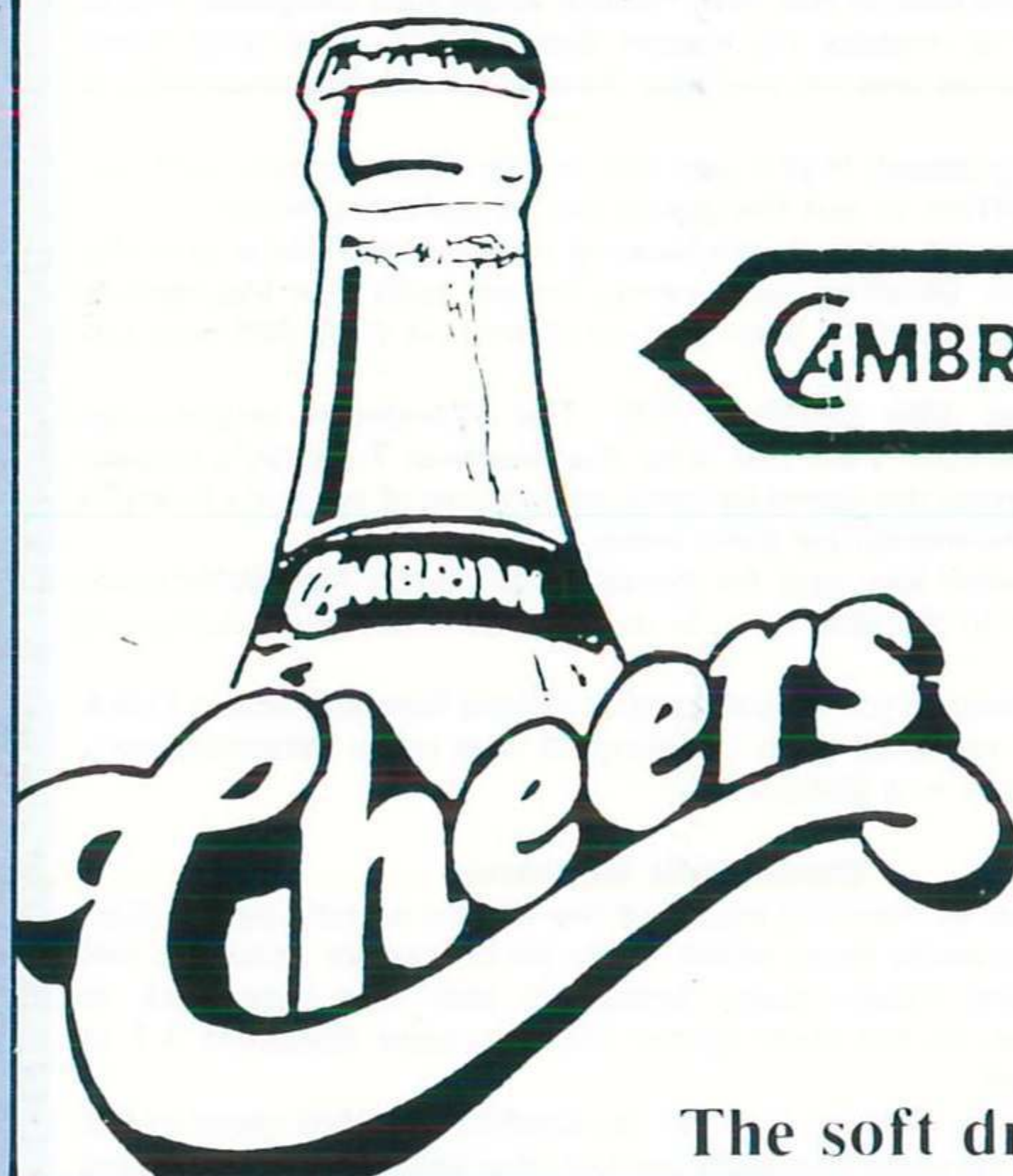
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In Reserve

26th September 1984. Bolton Reserves 2, Hull City Reserves 1

The Wanderers' reserves earned their second victory of the season in a scrappy game that saw neither side dominate.

It was the Central League newcomers who took the lead after 10 minutes when from a Bolton corner Olsson broke clear to play a delightful through ball to Williams who had no trouble in beating John Platt from the edge of the penalty area.

Hull almost went two up after 18 minutes when in a similar move the Wanderers defence was caught square but Storey saw his shot go just wide.

The Wanderers equalised a minute later when Roger Walker beat the full back before crossing hard and low to Dean Roberts who smashed the ball through a mêlée of players from 12 yards out.



SIMON RUDGE

Roberts continued to create havoc in the Hull defence creating chances for both Simon Rudge and Wayne Foster but neither troubled Davies in the City goal.

The Wanderers' defence was again caught out early in the second half when Williams put Flounders in the clear but he shot wide when it looked easier to score.

After 58 minutes Bolton took the lead with Simon Rudge placing the ball out of the keeper's reach from ten yards out after a Ray Deakin through ball had completely fooled the Hull defence.

Wanderers' keeper John Platt was then called into action firstly making a good save from full back McNeil and then from Davis.

Six minutes from time Hull were awarded a penalty when Paul Howard was adjudged to have brought down Flounders. It was Flounders that stepped up to take the penalty but John Platt made a brilliant save diving to his right to keep the ball out and the defence cleared the danger.

Team: Platt, Berry, Deakin, Booth, Came, Howard, Walker, Foster, Rudge, Lodge, Roberts. Sub. Darby.

FINLAND NO PUSHOVERS

By Colin Benson

FINLAND come to Wembley with more than a hope and a prayer to sustain their effort to gain their first ever result over England.

Lifted by their shock 1-0 win over Northern Ireland last May in this same World Cup qualifying group, the Finns can also cite their last visit to Wembley, in October 1976, when England struggled to beat them 2-1 in another World Cup qualifying match.

The current Finnish team is a much stronger outfit than that one. Under trainer Martti Kuusela, a former international midfield player with HJK, they have shown a tremendous improvement on the international stage.

Kuusela, who is in his late 30's, took charge of the national team in the winter of 1982 after periods with the Under-21 side and the Olympic team, and although they played 19 games without a win between July 1982, when Finland beat Iceland 3-2 in Helsinki and that memorable triumph over Northern Ireland last spring they had recorded some respectable results against top international sides.

A 1-1 draw with Poland in Warsaw for instance in the European Championship, was a creditable achievement. The Poles conceded an own goal in the second-minute through Janas, and Finland were organised enough to hold the home side to a single goal as they battled back.

The return game in Kuopio was a close thing as well, with Poland winning 3-2. The Finns felt they should have done better on this occasion having created several good chances.

Ari Valtee, who scored the winner against Northern Ireland, was on target in this match also. A good attacking forward he plays for Haka, who lost to Juventus 0-1 and 0-1 in the quarter-finals of the European Cup Winners Cup, before moving recently to Vasalund in the Swedish Second Division.

He joins three other players in the professional game, defender Aki Lahtinen, who won two championship medals with Oulu Palloseura before joining Notts County for a six-figure fee in September 1981. Aki has over 25 caps to his name despite problems with injury.

Two of the national team's midfield players have also made football their career. Pas Rautiaren is with Arminia Biedefeld in the Bundesliga and Kari Ukkonen plays for Cercle Brugge in Belgium.

As a warm-up for the game against Billy Bingham's side Finland entertained Russia, losing just 2-1 in a highly competitive game. The Finns are quick to remind us that at Wembley the Russians gained a more convincing 2-0 victory last June.

Football in Finland is strictly amateur and average gates at Premier Division games only reach the 3,000 mark but the game itself is very popular and matches from England are screened live.

Trainer Martti Kuusela has reason for optimism. The side he fielded against the Irish can be strengthened by the return of sweeper Jukka Ikalainen, now recovered from a prolonged hamstring injury, and Mikael Granskog (IFK Norrkoping) who was injured against the Russians.

He can also call on the services of sweeper Jari Europacus, HJK, who was drafted on as a substitute against Ireland, and striker Mika Lipponen who was on the subs bench. Both are in their early 20's as are TPS defender Erkkka Petaja, Jari Rantanen (HJK), an attacking midfield player and goalkeeper Olli Huttunen (Haka) who is hoping to turn pro.

The Finnish league programme closes on the Sunday prior to the game at Wembley so Mr Kuusela will enjoy the rare privilege of having his players together before an important international game.

In the past the Finns have come up with an occasional good result, beating Sweden and Portugal in 1969 and so on, but in modern terms that victory over Northern Ireland was by far the team's greatest performance in international competition, bearing in mind the importance of the match. Now Kuusela wants to build on that and like Greece and Denmark in recent times, expose England's vulnerability at home.



AKI LAHTINEN the Notts County defender who is expected to be recalled to the Finnish team for the game against England.

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But now clubs' back-room administrators are upstaging the managers by catching 'em even younger. The Professional Football Clubs Junior Supporters Federation has been created to encourage the schoolchildren of today to become the regular fans of the future.

Quite simply, the Federation, which already numbers Southampton, Arsenal, Spurs, West Ham, Queens Park Rangers, Norwich and West Bromwich among its ranks, exists to encourage friendly relations between the next generation of football supporters.

The Federation is the brainchild of Alan Smith, who organises the Junior Saints at The Dell, and Debbie Wakeford, who runs the Junior Gunners at Highbury.

When clubs within the Federation play each other an entire day out will be planned for the visiting youngsters, involving pre-match tours of grounds, quizzes, games and various forms of hospitality.

Clubs will also organise events during the school holidays and already there has been an extremely successful five-club get-together hosted at White Hart Lane by Tottenham.

The philosophy of the Federation is summed up by Alan Smith. He says: "It is obvious that trouble is caused at football grounds because certain supporters don't regard the opposition as friends. Getting the two together on an amicable basis could be the first step towards eventually eliminating trouble. We'd like to think that the Federation will become something like a family unit."

There is hardly a true football fan in the country who doesn't agree with those sentiments.

A LOST NUMBER

Football club programmes have become much more sophisticated over the years, the best offering their fans colour and features about their favourite stars, but it seems to me that some people in the game have lost touch with the basic ingredient.

The programme as we know it today is a development of the team sheet which was produced by clubs to help their supporters identify the players from the numbers on their shirts . . . That maxim still holds good today although unfortunately some managers totally disregard the fact.

Down in the west country Lou Macari, now in charge of

Swindon Town, insists that the programme does not show any of his team's names, his reasoning is that he does not want players thinking they are automatically in the side.

All I can say is that Lou must have a very large playing staff down at the County Ground if he is to keep them all guessing.

Another case of abuse for the system came to my notice at Carrow Road when the Canaries faced West Bromwich Albion . . . Johnny Giles announced five changes to his programme line-up, all positional, and that just two days after the Albion had given Norwich their team for the programme.

Certainly not a good lesson in public relations!

UNLUCKY FIVE



Steve Bruce — A change of shirt

Talking of numbers, Steve Bruce Norwich City's new central defender, asked manager Ken Brown if he could switch to the No. 6 shirt

after conceding an own goal after just three minutes of his First Division debut.

"Everything always goes wrong for me when I play No. 5," insisted the former Gillingham stopper . . . England pivot Dave Watson duly obliged by switching shirts and since then Steve has improved with every game.

There must be something in this numbers lark.



No Bovver from the Chelsea fans

By Colin Benson

CHELSEA'S arrival in the First Division was greeted with about as much enthusiasm as an English soccer fan waving a Union Jack in Buenos Aires, by those clubs in the top sphere who now have to prepare for the hordes of fans who have become notorious for their destruction across the country.

It is unfortunate that an unruly minority should establish such a horrific image, but since the 'boot boy' cult manifested itself beneath the "Shed" at Stamford Bridge in the early 1970's, Chelsea's reputation for attracting 'bovver' has been second to none.

Thus it is that Chelsea supporters are branded, irrespective of who they are, as hooligans and louts, unwanted everywhere.

This is a particularly galling injustice to the majority of true "Blues" fans, who support and follow their team without causing the slightest ripple on the waters of decency.

Yet the stigma sticks fast and for those who really have the welfare of the club at heart the innuendos and insinuations lodge hurtfully in the gullet.

"We are not all mindless yobs," points out Ron Hockings, a 50-year-old Youth Liaison Officer with the London Borough of Brent.

I had picked up with Ron and his two fellow Chelsea fanatics, Andy Harrup and Colin Newland on a train travelling from Lyon to Marseille. I was covering the European Football Championship finals, they were travelling the

length and breadth of France watching as many games as they could cram in.

Football is their obsession, Chelsea their passion. They hardly ever miss a Chelsea game home or away but for all three this magical association with the game to which they have become addicted is somewhat soured by the taint of hooliganism.

RESPECTABLE

My three new found friends had never actually been involved in the violence and mayhem created by others in the Chelsea tribe yet both Andy and Colin remain somewhat reticent to divulge to strangers their true attachment to Chelsea. . . While the heart is overwhelmingly with the Club the conscience questions their public acceptability should they confess allegiance to an organisation, part of which, is so criminally insane.

"Sometimes you feel like giving it all up," reflects Andy, a bright 22-year old Civil Servant in the DHSS. Like the others he feels a strong sense of guilt about the activities of the mindless minority.

The term "football supporter" is almost a dirty phrase in the English vocabulary these days but mention Chelsea and thoughts immediately turn to skin-headed louts flaunting their muscle and filthy abuse at the world in large.

"Most of us are normal respectable people," says Ron, who has followed the "Blues" all his life — he can actually remember Chelsea winning the

Championship and that was a long time ago — and he should know, he organises the Supporters Club travelling arrangements.

"We always travel on Inter-City express trains, not cattle trucks and we have never had any trouble."

A founder member of the Chelsea Supporters Club way back in 1948, Ron regrets that the relationship between his organisation and the parent club has always been brittle.

"Our objective is to help people support Chelsea," explains Ron, "and our membership is around the 2,000 mark."

There was one naughty incident a few years ago when a railway carriage was ruined by aerosol-spray graffiti with slogans supporting Chelsea. Ron knew it had not been done by his party as he keeps strict control over his members. Eventually it was found that the culprits were Manchester United fans travelling on the same train. . . The Chelsea Supporters Club took them to court.

THE SOLDIERS

But there is nothing the decent fans of Chelsea can do about their own armada of hooligans who travel to away grounds hell bent on war.

Says Andy: "They are so well organised now they are a formidable force to deal with. They know how to avoid the police blocks by travelling early and using roundabout routes. The soldiers — the boot boys — are organised by officers and these

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Ron Hockings, Andy Harrup and Colin Newland outside the Stade de Gerland, Lyon, before the Spain v Denmark semi-final.

aren't youngsters but men in their 30's. They are the ones who instigate trouble then step back and let the soldiers get on with it.

"They just love trouble. There is no doubt about it they much prefer the aggro to the football.

"There is a nucleus of about 200 and they spoil it all for the thousands of others who come just to watch the game. We get a lot of provocation from other supporters because of our reputation. It is the fastest gun alive syndrome, with yobs everywhere wanting to challenge us and prove that they are dirtier and tougher than us.

"The price we pay for the actions of the minority is to be treated like animals everywhere we go. We are herded from stations like cattle and driven into pens at the ground.

"It is degrading, it makes you feel ashamed to be there."

"Even if we wanted to go our own way we couldn't because the police will not let us," adds Colin, a 22-year-old bank clerk. "We understand the need for a police presence but they should not class everyone in the same mould just because they support a football

team. It does not encourage people to follow the game."

NO TROUBLE

The frustrations are clear. The good, who are very much the majority, are having their pleasure killed by the bad and the ugly. There is an air of pathetic desperation about the whole thing.

The decent folk who want to support football know they are powerless to deal with massed thuggery, football administration itself is equally powerless and the one body who could take positive action, the government, just brush it off and put the responsibility firmly back on the game itself.

"It went wrong in the 1960's when it was just small gangs of six or seven people," says Ron. "The authorities should have stamped it out then.

"The current system does not work. Fines are a waste of time the magistrates courts are far too lenient. Most of the offenders probably feel angry in their own lives and when they get together in gangs the drink draws that anger out of them.

"British Rail could help by restricting the age limits to whom they issue cheap tickets but that would not reach the heart of the problem. It is a question for society to answer."

Respectability is all they ask, respectability is what they deserve. For Ron Hockings, Andy Harrup and Colin Newland represent the bulk of Chelsea supporters and indeed the majority of football supporters everywhere.

They look back on the European Championships in France with envy. There we saw Belgians intermingling with Yugoslav fans, the Spanish with the Portuguese and the French with the Danes. . . and not a hint of trouble.

"That's how it used to be here in the old days," reflects Ron. "We used to go to Everton with big flags and it was all good humoured fun."

Alas, it is doubtful that we shall ever return to those halcyon days even though the great mass of supporters at today's games all over the country are good sporting people. It is such a shame that fans like these should feel "ashamed" to be part of the game they love.

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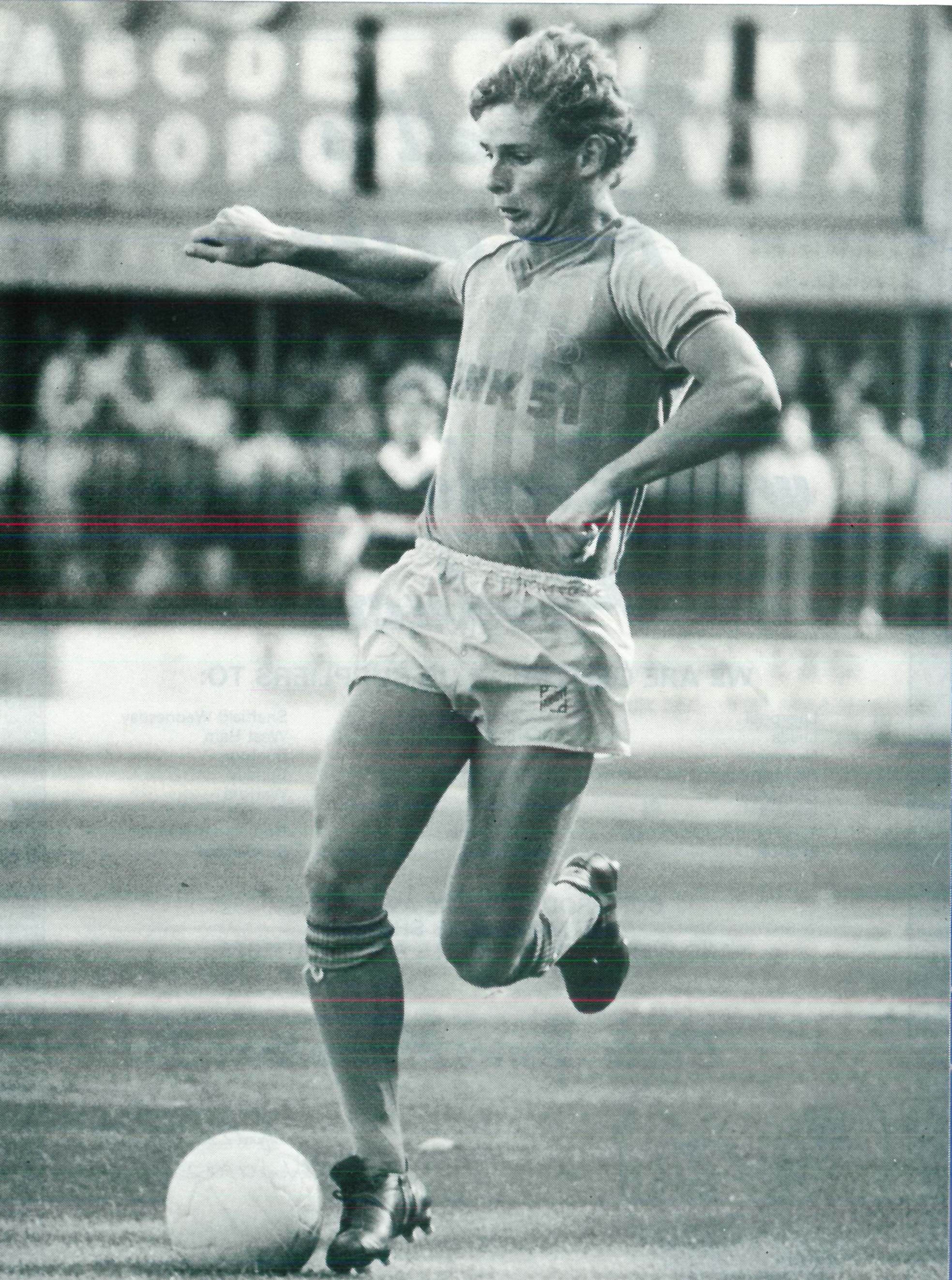
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Gary Hackett, amongst the goals for Shrewsbury Town this season.

Star Profile

A look back at some of the Wanderers past players

At 15 years and 267 days, Ray Parry was the youngest player at the time to have appeared in a First Division game when he made his Bolton debut against Wolves in 1951.

He had played only six Reserve team games since signing for Wanderers as an amateur in May of the same year and experienced the remarkable achievement of graduating from the England Schoolboy side to the top flight in the space of just a few months.

YESTERDAY'S HEROES — our popular feature on Bolton stars of the past — looks at the career of the lad from Derby who became Wanderers' inside left and won two full international caps with England.

It was evident from the start that Ray Parry — one of seven footballing brothers, five of whom played in the Football League — had something special to offer.

At the age of 14 he was selected to play for England Schoolboys in the same side as Johnny Haynes and the great Duncan Edwards. In all he played nine times for his country at schoolboy level and had the distinction of captaining the side that played Ireland at Anfield.

But unlike brothers Reg, Jack and Glyn who all signed for their home town club Derby County and Cyril who stayed in the Midlands and played for Notts County, Ray took his talents to the North west when he signed for the Wanderers.

It wasn't that Derby didn't want him — they did. But when Frank Pickford, the Bolton scout who is still a familiar figure around Burnden Park, made his approach, Ray readily agreed to join the Wanderers.

He signed on May 13, 1951 and had a meteoric rise to first team selection when his name appeared on the team sheet for the game against Wolves at Burnden on October 13.

He made only one other appearance that season — Reserve teamers found it difficult to dislodge the established stars — but he gradually became established in the Bolton forward line, either at inside left or on the left wing.

Amazingly after that record-breaking debut against Wolves, the Molineux men were to figure twice more as milestones in the Parry career.

He scored the only hat-trick of his career against them in February 1955. But by far his most memorable game against Wolves — arguably his most memorable performance in a Bolton shirt — came in the sixth round of the FA Cup in 1958.

Ray cheekily chipped the winning goal in the second half to put Bolton into the semi-finals and on their way to Wembley glory. But he missed the last seven minutes of the Wolves game after being stretchered off.

International honours came when he won his first senior cap for England in November 1959 and scored in the 2-1 win over Northern Ireland at Wembley. The same season he played against Scotland at Wembley.

His transfer to big Lancashire rivals Blackpool in October 1960 broke Wanderers' transfer record with a fee of £25,000.

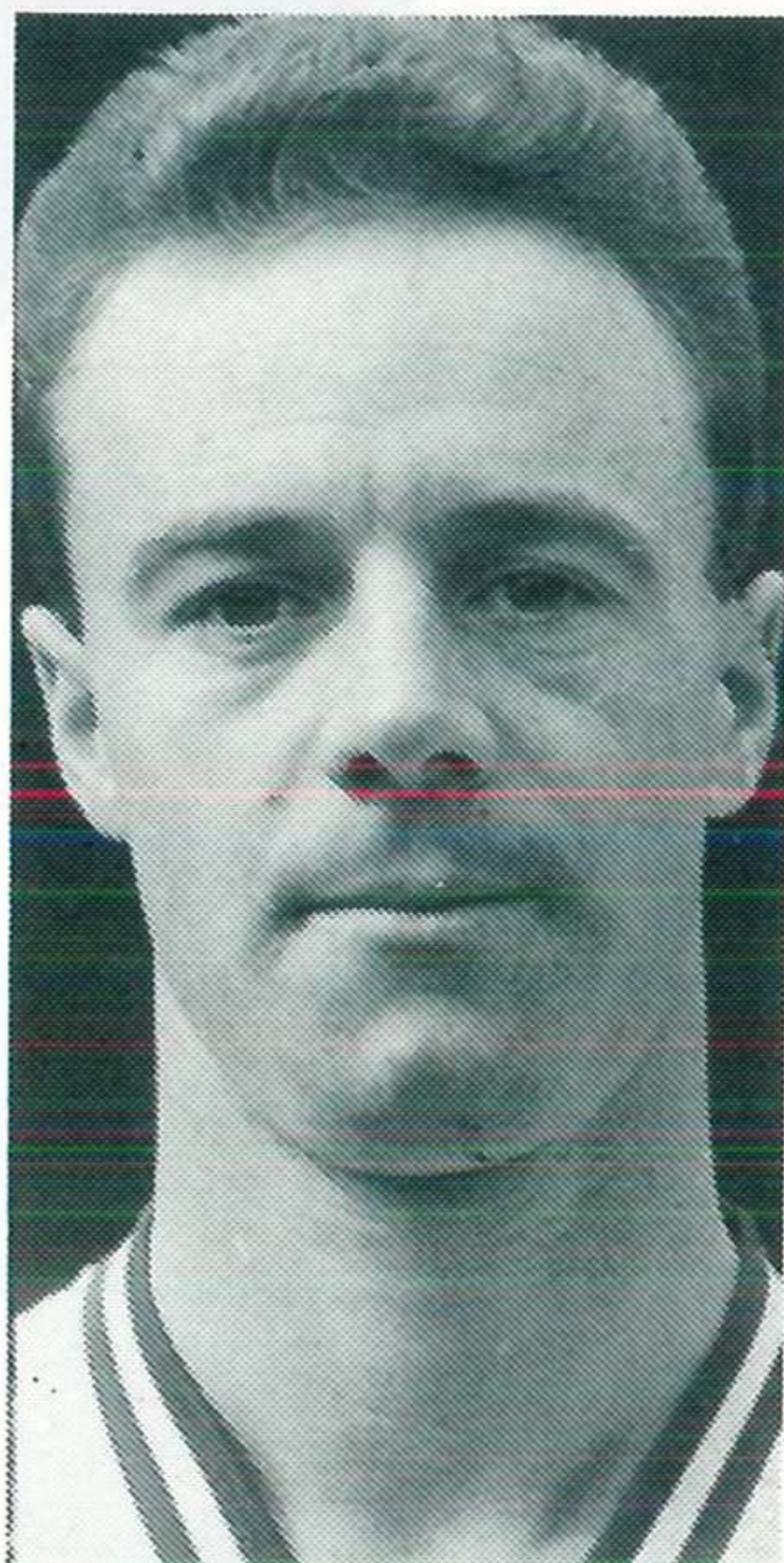
He had played 286 League games, scoring 74 goals in just 10 seasons.

He still had much to offer the game, though, and in four years with Blackpool and a further six with Bury (he made his debut for the Shakers against the Wanderers) he notched a total of 543 League appearances.

According to Ray it was in his Bury days that someone had the inspiration to play him at left half and in later years he admitted: "I think if I had played at left-half from the beginning I'd have been a far better player."

What an exciting thought!

Though born in Derby Ray became a "naturalised" Boltonian and remains a well known figure in the town where he runs his successful newsagent's business.



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Date Opponents

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1984	25	Bristol Rovers		4,469		Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Berry	Deakin	Thompson	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Joyce
Aug.	28	Oldham Athletic (MC1 1L)		3,286	0-1	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Berry	Deakin	Thompson	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Rudge
Sept.	1	Derby County		11,478	2-1	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	Berry	Berry	Lodge	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Deakin
	4	Oldham Athletic (MC1 2L)		4,010	2-3	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Berry	Lodge	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Rudge
	8	Hull City		5,403	4-4	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Berry	Lodge	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Foster
	15	Rotherham United		3,926	0-0	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Lodge	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Rudge
	18	Swansea City		3,636	1-3	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Lodge	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Foster
	22	Plymouth Argyle		3,876	1-2	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Rudge	Oghani	Caldwell	Phillips	Came
	25	Shrewsbury Town (MC2 1L)		3,720	7-2	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Came
	29	Doncaster Rovers		4,850	2-2	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Came
Oct.	2	Walsall		4,445	0-2	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Rudge
	6	Reading		3,253	3-1	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Came
	9	Shrewsbury Town (MC2 2L)		5,445	1-3	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	Foster
	13	A.F.C. Bournemouth			2-1	Farnworth	Borrows	Phillips	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Oghani	Caldwell	Bell	
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	27	Burnley															
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Nov.	3	Lincoln City															
	6	York City															
	10	Newport County															
	17	FA Cup 1															
	24	Gillingham															
Dec.	1	Brentford															
	8	FA Cup 2															
	15	Millwall															
	22	Cambridge United															
	26	Wigan Athletic															
	29	Bradford City															
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Jan.	1	Orient															
	5	Bristol Rovers (FA 3)															
	12	Derby County															
	19	Hull City															
Feb.	26	Rotherham United (FA 4)															
	2	Doncaster Rovers															
	9	Plymouth Argyle															
	12	Walsall															
	16	Swansea City (FA 5)															
Mar.	23	Lincoln City															
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	9	Preston N.E. (FA 6)															
	16	A.F.C. Bournemouth															
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	HOME			AWAY			GOALS			GOALS			Pts	
	P	W	D	L	F	A	L	F	A	L	F	A	F	A
Bristol Rovers	9	5	0	0	9	1	1	3	2	1	3	2	22	
York City	9	3	1	1	7	5	0	9	4	0	9	4	20	
Millwall	9	4	0	0	9	2	1	10	8	2	10	8	19	
Gillingham	9	2	2	1	11	8	1	6	4	1	6	4	17	
Doncaster Rovers	8	3	0	1	7	3	1	8	5	1	8	5	16	
Bradford City	9	3	1	0	6	1	3	3	5	0	3	5	16	
Brentford	8	2	1	2	6	3	0	4	2	0	4	2	14	
Rotherham United	8	2	2	0	7	4	2	4	4	2	4	4	14	
Bristol City	9	2	1	1	7	5	2	6	7	2	6	7	14	
Hull City	9	2	1	1	6	2	1	2	3	1	2	3	13	
Walsall	9	2	1	1	10	6	2	4	8	2	4	8	12	
Preston North End	9	2	0	2	4	5	2	9	14	3	9	14	12	
Burnley	9	1	3	0	4	2	2	7	8	2	7	8	11	
Derby County	9	3	1	0	8	4	1	3	7	4	3	7	11	
Reading	9	2	1	2	5	6	1	3	5	2	3	5	11	
Swansea City	9	2	0	3	7	8	1	4	8	2	4	8	10	
Wigan Athletic	9	2	1	2	4	4	1	2	8	3	2	8	10	
AFC Bournemouth	9	2	1	2	7	6	0	1	5	2	1	5	9	
Orient	9	1	0	3	4	9	2	5	7	3	5	7	9	
Plymouth Argyle	9	1	2	2	8	8	0	8	13	1	8	13	8	
Bolton Wanderers	9	2	1	1	10	4	0	5	13	5	5	13	7	
Newport County	8	1	2	0	4	3	0	2	7	3	2	7	7	
Lincoln City	8	1	2	1	7	4	0	1	6	3	2	6	6	
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Sept.	4 Leeds United	1-1
	12 Doncaster Rovers	2-3
	19 Oldham Athletic	0-2
	26 Hull City	2-1
Oct.	3 Middlesbrough	1-3
	10 Port Vale	0-2
	17 Grimsby Town	
	24 Leicester City	
	30 Preston North End	
Nov.	8 Blackpool	
	13 Wigan Athletic	
	21 Scunthorpe United	
	27 Burnley	
Dec	5 York City	
	10 Wolverhampton Wanderers	
	19 Sunderland	
1985		
Jan.	8 Rotherham United	
	16 Leeds United	
	23 Doncaster Rovers	
	30 Oldham Athletic	
Feb.	6 Middlesbrough	
	13 Hull City	
	20 Wigan Athletic	
	26 Blackpool	
Mar.	7 Preston North End	
	11 Leicester City	
	19 Grimsby Town	
	27 Port Vale	
Apr.	3 Scunthorpe United	
	10 Burnley	
	17 York City	
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May	1 Wolverhampton Wanderers	



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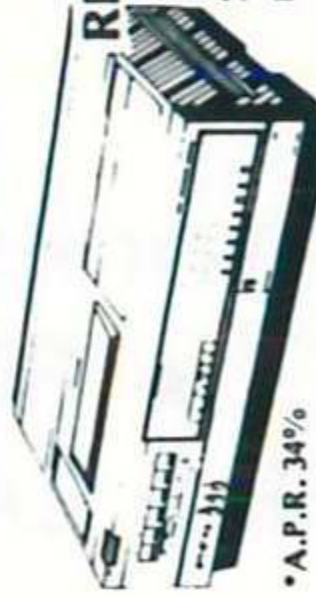
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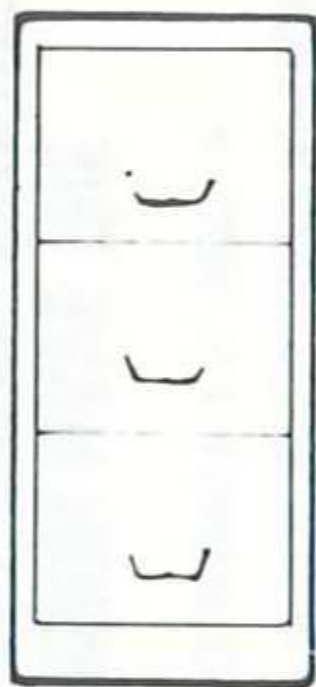
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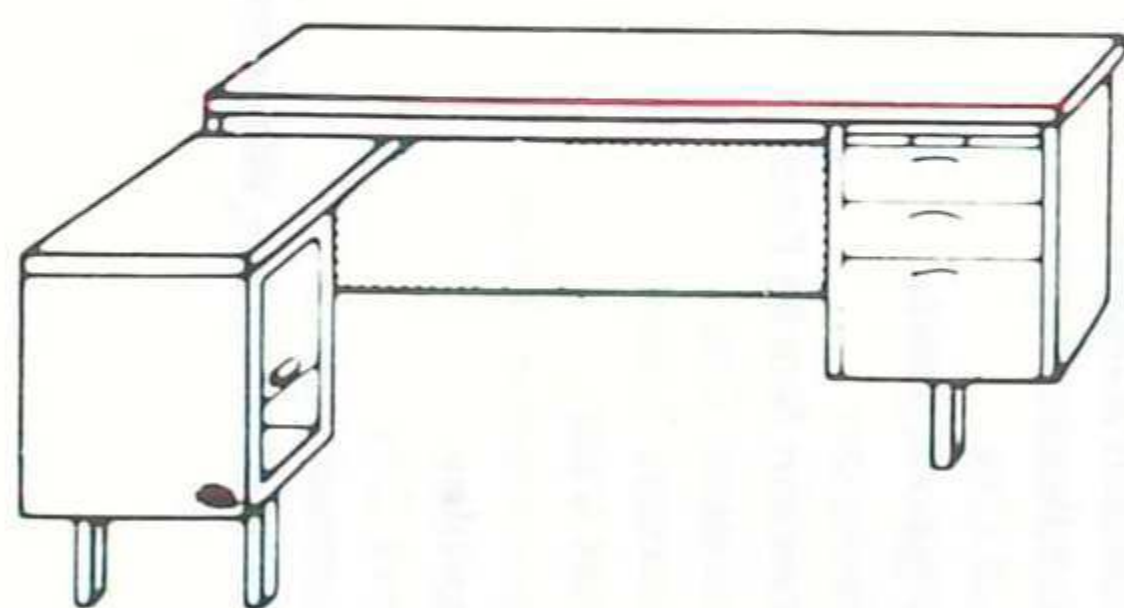
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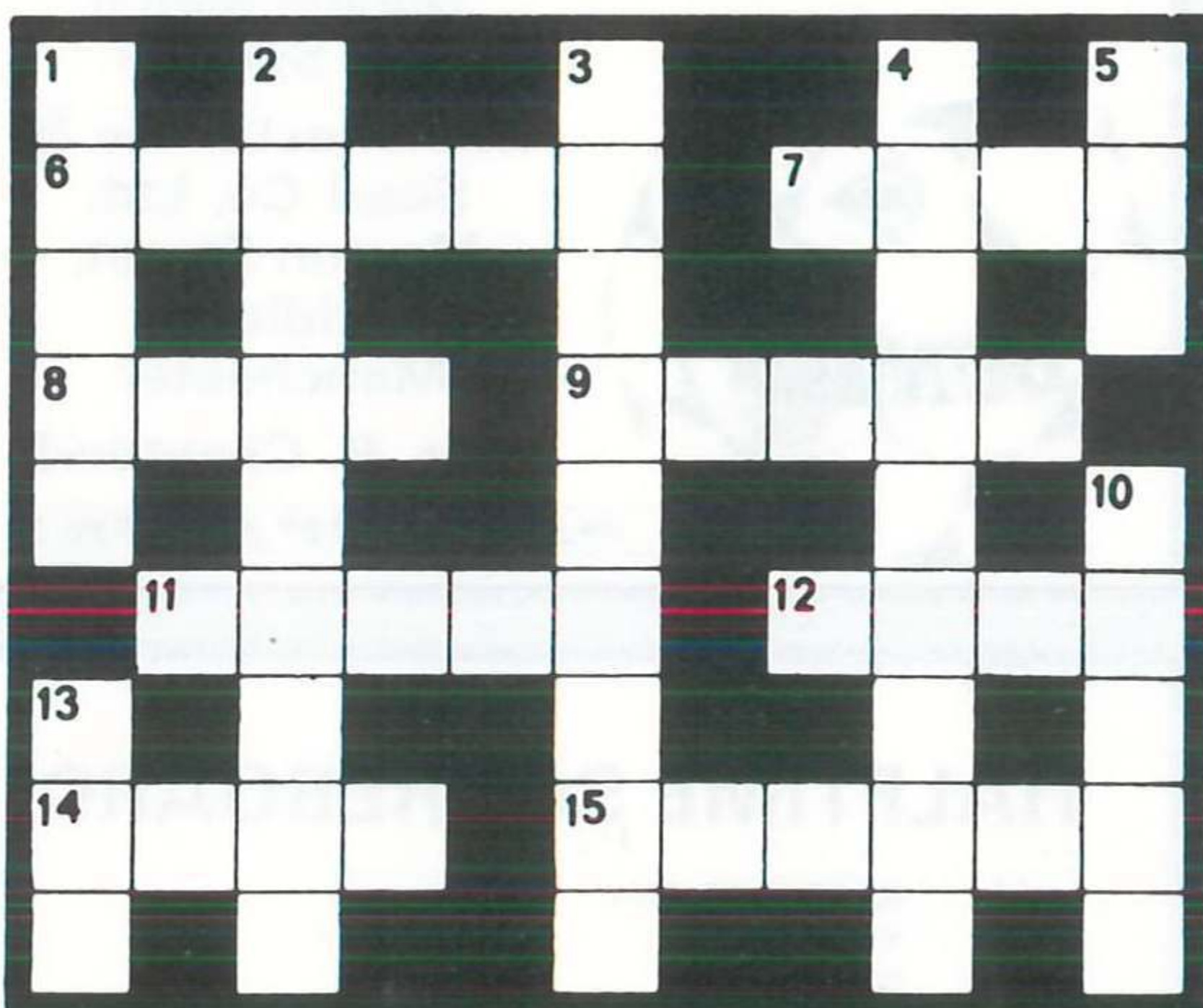
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CROSSWORD No. 7

ACROSS

6. Midfield Wyn — — — was with Newport for several seasons but rounded off his career at the end of the seventies with Swindon and Aldershot (6)
7. Hubbick, perhaps (4)
8. Matt — — —, a river-named Scot, netted regularly for Grimsby (two spells), Charlton and Luton (4)
9. Number normally adopted by Dalglish (5)
11. Is it a climb to — — — Park, Stranraer? (5)
- 14 & 12. An England man with 72 caps and 8 goals to his credit between 1965 and 1975 (4,4)
15. Gillingham's best seasonal tally of League goals (6)



DOWN

1. One of Huddersfield Town's colours (5)
2. Could he be called "Lucky Jim", this television presenter often abroad on interviewing assignments? (9)
3. One of two men with the same surname at The Dell, he made a close season switch to Birmingham (9)
4. Interim managerial role (9)
5. Mower, maybe (3)
10. Participates in a match (5)
13. A well-travelled Train? (3)

Answers to No. 6: **ACROSS:** 1. David Thomas, 7. Fleming, 8. See 14 down, 10. Ray, 12 & 1dn. through ball, 15. Paul Goddard. **DOWN:** 1. See 12 across, 2. Jimmy, 3. stanchion, 4. Roy, 5. Dave, 9. Woods, 11. Alan, 13. Gary, 14 & 8ac. all red.

QUICK QUIZ No. 7

1. Which country needed — and got! — an eleven-goal margin in a 1984 European Championship finals qualifier?
2. Which club had three players each hitting a hat-trick in one match in 1962?
3. Who won the Golden Boot as Europe's top-scorer in 1983/84?
4. Which club did Cambridge replace in the League?
5. Who won the Associate Members' Cup in 1984?

Answers to No. 6

1. Danny Wallace (Soton), 2. Preston and Chelsea, 3. Basel, 4. Exeter (1982/83), 5. Hull City.

ANSWERS IN THE NEXT PROGRAMME

MIXED DOUBLES No. 7

Re-order the letters in each of the words

BALLETS and **DOLLY**
to reveal two "OLD ENGLAND MEN"

Answers to No. 6: SELHURST, EWOOD.

FITNESS TEST No. 7

Re-arrange all the letters of
RUSSELL OSMAN
to create four four-letter
words that fit the edges of
the diamond.

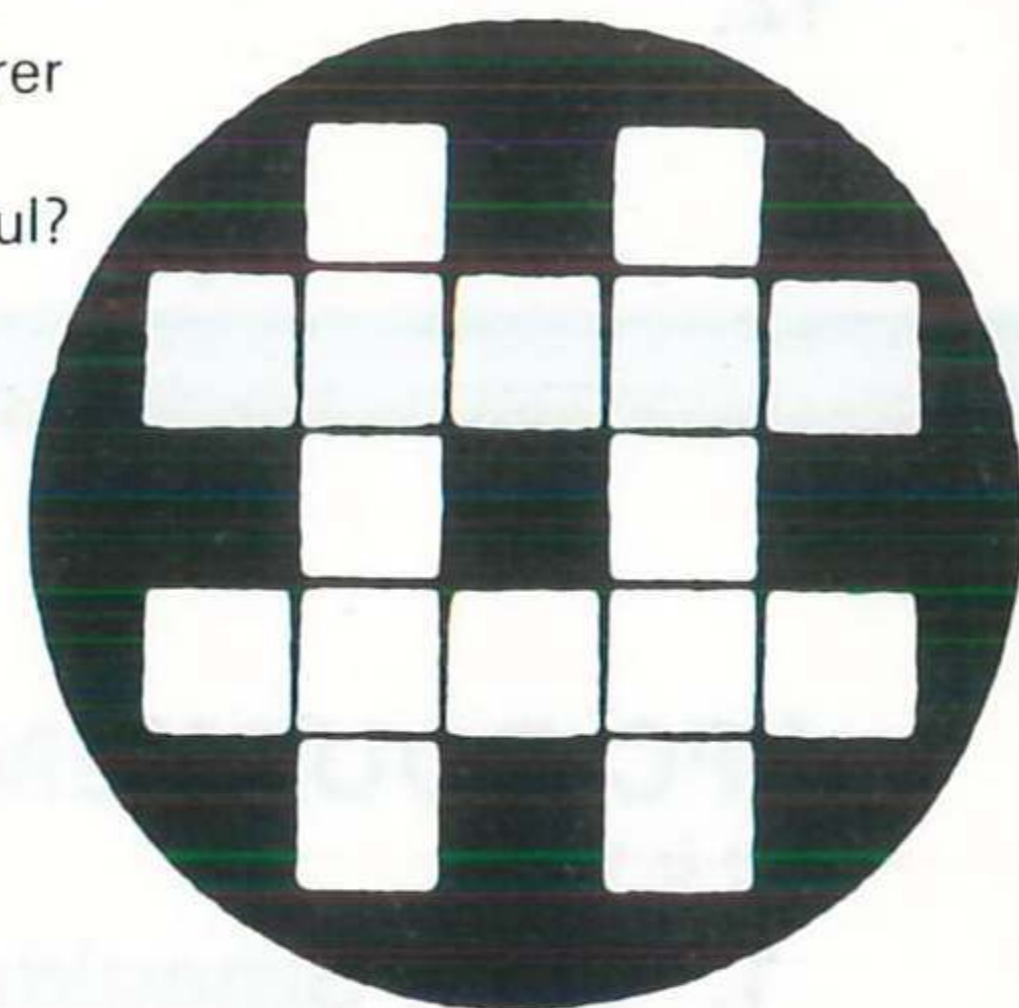
Answers to No. 6
PORT/TILE, PERM/MERE



ON THE BALL No. 7

Every answer has five letters and the first one fits into the top line, but you have to decide where the rest must go.

- 1984 FA Cup final scorer
- Soccer magazine
- Finishing-tackle for Paul?
- Old Chelsea 7-up ace



Answers to No. 6: BLUES, KERRY, SCORE, BLACK.

**Puzzle
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Teams

BOLTON WANDERERS

White and Navy Blue

1. Simon Farnworth
2. Brian Borrowes
3. Jimmy Phillips
4. Warren Joyce
5. Gerry McElhinney
6. Peter Valentine
7. Steve Thompson
8. Jeff Chandler
9. George Oghani
10. Tony Caldwell
11. Graham Bell
- 12.

AFC BOURNEMOUTH

Red & White

1. John Smeulders
2. Mark Nightingale
3. Chris Sulley
4. John Beck
5. Paul Morrell
6. Robbie Savage
7. Sean O'Driscoll
8. Colin Russell
9. Billy Rafferty
10. Ian Thompson
11. Mark Schiavi
- 12.

Today's Referee: PAUL VANES

(Warley, West Midlands)

Design draughtsman. Married with two children. Commenced refereeing in 1972 and progressed via local leagues and West Midlands (Regional) League. Main interest outside sports is gardening. Enjoys marathon running — best time to date 2 hours 52 mins., 1983/84 London marathon 2 hours 55 mins. Involved in local youth football as manager of Under 11 team. Played semi-professional football for six years prior to refereeing. Refereed 1982 Birmingham Senior Cup Final and lined 1983 European Youth Championships and 1984 F.A. Cup semi-final.

Linesmen: P. B. BRADLEY (Hyde) Red Flag
J. W. LLOYD (Wrexham) Yellow Flag



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